

I am writing to express concern about Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to force their stations to air an anti-Kerry documentary days before the election.

At heart it seems unfair that a Republican controlled Broadcasting company can use the public airwaves to communicate a message which may well be unsubstantiated and untrue. The timing of this event seems designed to attempt to influence the presidential election.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But broadcasting an anti-Kerry documentary without time for rebuttal serves only Republican and Right wing interests, not public interest.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.